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DRAFT CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF  
DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN

Report of the Working Group

Article 2 as adopted by the Working Group reads as follows:

States Parties condemn discrimination against women and undertake to pursue by all appropriate means and without delay a policy of eliminating discrimination against women and to this end:

- (a) Each State Party undertakes to embody the principle of the equality of men and women in its national Constitution if not yet incorporated, and to ensure through law or other appropriate means the practical realization of this principle;
- (b) Each State Party undertakes to adopt legislative and/or all other appropriate measures accompanied by sanctions prohibiting all discrimination against women and guaranteeing the realization of the principle of equality of rights;
- (c) Each State Party undertakes to establish legal protection for equal rights of men and women;
- (d) Each State Party undertakes to engage in no act or practice of discrimination against women and to ensure that public authorities and public institutions shall act in conformity with this obligation;
- (e) Each State Party shall endeavour to take all preventive measures to eliminate discrimination against women by any person or organization;

- (f) Each State Party shall take all appropriate measures, including legislation, to modify or abolish existing laws, regulations, customs and practices which are discriminatory to women;
- (g) Each State Party endeavours to promote organizations and movements whose purpose is to advance the status of women and eliminate discrimination against them.